

# NEWS OF THE WEEK FROM OVER WORLD

HAPPENINGS IN OUR OWN AND  
OTHER COUNTRIES HERE  
ARE BRIEFLY TOLD.

## SHORT ITEMS FOR BUSY MEN

Condensation of Week's News Reviewed Without Comment—All Nations Find Something to Edify and Instruct.

The German crown prince, Frederick William, in command of the Teuton forces in the Verdun sector, has been wounded.

The Philippine bill, granting an increased measure of independence, passed the senate. It is now ready for the president's signature.

Maj. William A. Obenchain, Sr., a member of Gen. Robert E. Lee's staff during the civil war, is dead at Bowling Green, Ky.

Rev. John M. Versteeg, pastor of a Bayonne, N. J., Episcopal church, permits boys to whistle hymns in church, "to make the service more attractive."

The most serious freight car shortage in the history of the country is indicated in the Aug. 1. car statistics.

Ty Cobb, ball player and one of the greatest "strike" experts in the country, conferred briefly with President Wilson on how to hit the ball in a pinch.

Grave disorders have occurred in Essen, Germany, in consequence of the high cost of foodstuffs.

Robert Bacon, former ambassador to France, has announced his candidacy for the nomination for United States senator from New York.

Mrs. John Simmons, 27 years old, a patient at Columbus hospital, Chicago, jumped to her death from the fourth floor of the hospital.

Apparently to capture or sink German merchant submarines, Great Britain has dispatched two submarines to this side of the Atlantic.

"Save the garbage," says Charles P. Thornton, a Jamaica, L. I., druggist, who announced he can manufacture paper from rubbish.

The world's most powerful searchlight is being constructed in Brooklyn. When complete it will have 1,280,000 candle power.

Officers at the woman's training camp at Lake Geneva, Wis., say the hardest lessons to install into the patriotic women is the correct salute.

An additional gift of \$50,000 to the National Prohibition party's campaign fund by Mr. and Mrs. John P. Coffin of Johnstown, Pa., is announced. They previously had given \$50,000 to the fund.

Captain Olsen of the Norwegian steamer Alf reported to the Hydrographic office at Norfolk he passed a submarine in mid-Atlantic in the lane from Norfolk to the mouth of the English channel on Aug. 5.

George Wilmet, an alleged pickpocket, escaped from a New York court by simply picking up his hat, nodding good naturedly to the gateman, and walking out.

A private telegram received from Berlin says that the German submarine Deutschland has arrived safely at Bremen.

Four women and a man were killed when a New York Central train struck an automobile at Elyria, O.

Men bathers at Wilmette, Ill., wearing trousers over bathing suits will have to pay beach guards 50 cents or forego bathing.

Eddie Ariz, 12, New York patriot, carried his preparedness ideas too far in using Walter Pugh, 10, for a target, "to learn to shoot straight."

Miss Maud Sylvester, 35, and prominent, a mission worker and Sunday school teacher, was found guilty in court in New York, of flirting.

Owing to the increase in the cost of materials, the price of books has been raised from 10 to 25 cents.

The annual funeral exercises at Grant's splendid tomb on the Hudson river at New York City were held recently.

Carrie, 14, and James, 10, children of W. Y. McCornick of Golconda, Ill., were recently drowned at a bathing beach in the Ohio river.

According to a telegram from Bucharest the number killed in the explosion in the powder factory at Dudaesti was 115. Early reports stated that only 20 were killed.

John L. Sullivan, a burglar, was soundly whipped when Mrs. Mary Pescacus of New York caught him in her apartment.

The fall of the Persian ministry is announced in a brief state department dispatch which said that former Foreign Minister Wossough-El-Lau-Leh had been ordered to organize a new ministry.

The newspaper Epoca, states that Germany has proposed territorial compensation to Roumania at the expense of Austria-Hungary as a reward for continued neutrality.

J. Kelley Neal, aged 35, of Duck Hill, Miss., ended his life by poison at San Francisco because acquaintances ridiculed an impediment in his speech which he had tried in vain to overcome.

The Topeka, a small coal boat, was rammed by the steamer Christopher in the Detroit river off Sandwich, Ont.

Joseph Czapp, Jr., a small boy, was drowned in Lake Michigan with his St. Bernard dog, which he was chained to.

Declaring that there were no really pretty girls in Philadelphia, Max Gillings has written to the chief of police of Richmond, Va., asking for a wife.

The Mutual Life Insurance Co. and the Lackawanna Railways Co. have sent notice to all their employees with the New York troops that if they do not immediately take advantage of the war department's offer to release all guardsmen who have dependents at home their salaries will be discontinued.

Admitting that "most of his strength was below his neck," Waldek Zbyszko, 235 pounds, a Polish wrestler, is trying to recover a \$700 ring a New York friend talked him out of.

A serious outbreak of cholera in Nagasaki, Japan, has resulted in 48 deaths.

Gov. Dunne of Illinois is on an inspection tour of the national guards at Fort Sam Houston and along the border.

A white man and a negro robbed the Bank of Crowder, Ok., locking the cashier and assistant state bank examiner in the vault.

Frank Vogt, 50 years old, was struck by lightning and killed when in a bath tub at his home in Kansas City.

Official dispatches from Eagle Pass report the finding of a body of a soldier believed to be the son of M. H. Limbocher of Vanderbilt, Mich.

Abram I. Elkus, newly appointed ambassador to Turkey, has left for his new post.

Out of 850 applications who took examination for admission to the naval academy 94 of them passed.

President Wilson has signed the agricultural appropriation bill, carrying approximately \$27,000,000.

The Etna observatory reports that the center of the crater of Mount Etna, 1,200 feet deep, is in full eruption. Lava is flowing to the southwest.

A baby boy, alive and healthy, was weighted down with a heavy rock tied to its neck and dropped into the Conestoga river at Lancaster, Pa.

Five persons were killed and 17 injured, four of them fatally, when a tornado swept over eastern Arkansas, blowing down 12 buildings at Edmondson, Ark.

Ralph Arnold, 16 years old, was killed and Rolfe Boyd, 18, was seriously hurt when an automobile containing six young men from Annawan, Ill., was overturned.

Maj. Robert N. Winn, U. S. A., chief hospital surgeon with the national guardsmen at Eagle Pass, Tex., is dead after a few days' illness of pneumonia.

The government of Colombia has requested the Swiss government to send three Swiss officers for a period of three years to reorganize the Colombian army along Swiss lines.

Dr. Max Raff, psychologist of Clark College, Worcester, has discovered why girls kiss soldiers in uniform. He says: "It is the uniform the girls admire and not the soldier."

Truman Coats, a laborer of Havana, Ill., and his sister, Miss Australia Coats, of Mason City, Ia., have been notified they are two of 14 heirs to a \$4,000,000 estate near Chicago.

Mrs. Adolphus A. Laws of Centralia, Ill., was fined \$7.15 for allowing her 20-month-old baby girl to run outdoors without clothing of any kind.

A Lloyd's dispatch from Barcelona says the Italian steamship San Sebastiano, 4,943 tons, has been sunk by a submarine off Cape San Sebastian.

The Atlantic fleet championship trophies for gunnery and battle efficiency during the year were awarded to the battleship Texas.

John F. Fitzgerald of Boston has announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination to the United States senate seat now held by Henry Cabot Lodge, Republican.

Don, a wolf-hound "actor," well-known to movie fans, has disappeared at New York. The movie company will pay \$500 for his return.

The long battle between Vernon and North Vernon, Ind., for the courthouse of the county will be fought out finally at the polls Sept. 25.

# EXPLOSION KILLS EIGHT AT JACKSON

THREE BOILERS BURST IN JACKSON, TENN., WOODWORKING PLANT.

## FACTORY BADLY DAMAGED

Cause of the Accident as Yet Unknown—Owners Declare Boilers Recently Inspected, Found in Good Condition.

Jackson, Tenn.—Eight men were killed and 16 injured by an explosion of three boilers at the woodworking plant of the Harlan-Morris Manufacturing Company, which wrecked the factory and damaged the stove mill of the concern. The cause of the accident is unknown and the owners declare that the boilers had been inspected recently and found in good condition.

All of the killed and injured were employees of the company except John Umstead, car checker of the M. & O. railroad, whose leg was broken by a flying piece of debris while he was on duty along the track near the plant. The property damage was estimated at \$15,000. The dead are:

J. Pinkston, aged 36, carpenter and woodworker; left hand blown off and internal injuries.

W. E. Freeman, aged 50, filer; decapitated and body mangled.

Pope Smallwood, aged 31, heading planer; head crushed and internal injuries.

Marvin Eaton, aged 45, engineer; head crushed and bolt driven into body below heart.

Tom Chapman (negro), fireman; scalded and burned.

Simon Kirkey (negro), fireman; scalded and burned.

John H. Lee (negro); scalded.

The wrecked plant was a horrible scene when crowds from the city rushed to the aid of the dying men. Women and children were crying for their dead. Volunteers plunged into the wreckage to rescue the men pinned under heavy machinery and piles of brick. Police held back the surging crowd of onlookers and ambulances and private automobiles rushed the wounded to the hospitals.

The 75 men employed by the company had been at work only 10 minutes when the accident occurred. Mack Morris, manager, stated this morning that the boilers were inspected six weeks ago by a representative of an insurance company and declared to be in good condition. C. B. Newberry, superintendent of the plant, stated that he had just made an inspection of the engines and boilers and started to the office when the explosion occurred.

## TRAINMEN ACCEPT WILSON PLAN.

No Decision As Yet From the Railroad Executives and Managers.

Washington.—The general committee of 640 representatives of the employees approved the president's plan for an 8-hour day by a large majority, and soon after the railroad officials left the White House the four heads of the railroad brotherhoods notified the president of the vote.

It was said in the camp of the railroad executives and managers the decision on the president's proposal would be made by the New York Central and the Pennsylvania railroads.

## Surplus From Postal Department.

Washington.—A surplus of \$5,200,000 from the postal service during the fiscal year ending June 30, was reported to President Wilson by Postmaster-General Burleson. The postmaster-general announced that he had sent a check for that amount to the treasury.

In a letter to Mr. Burleson, acknowledging receipt of the check, Secretary McAdoo declared this is the third time since 1836 that surplus postal revenues have been deposited in the treasury, and that all three years have been under the present administration.

## President of Cornell Selected.

Washington.—Andrew D. White, former president of Cornell, has been selected the American commissioner under the Bryan peace treaty with China.

## Killed On Oceanic Railway.

Mexico City.—Eight persons were killed and many injured in a collision on Oceanic railway near Mexico City.

## Membership Sells High.

Chicago.—A membership in the Chicago board of trade has sold for \$4,700, near double the price a year ago.

## Wife of Editor a Suicide.

Flushing, L. I.—Returning to his home here, J. Bernard Walker, editor of the Scientific American, found his beautiful young wife dead upon the kitchen floor with all of the gas jets turned on. Mrs. Walker had been suffering from melancholia.

## Fatal Shooting Affray.

Brownsville, Tex.—Corporal James Clement, Company C, Second Virginia Regiment, was shot and killed and Sofia Valdez, a Mexican girl, was fatally wounded by another corporal.

## LAYMEN SUBSCRIBE \$103,000

Outpouring of Funds Comes at Conclusion of Conference Sermon at Asheville, N. C.

Asheville, N. C.—The fourth triennial conference of the Laymen's Missionary Movement of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, closed Aug. 20, after recording a spontaneous subscription of \$103,000 to the Lake Junaluska enterprise, the Southern Methodist assembly grounds where the conference was held.

The outpouring of funds came at the conclusion of the conference sermon Sunday morning which Dr. Geo. R. Stewart of Knoxville was asking the co-operation of the delegates in getting the enterprise before the church. E. A. Cole of Charlotte interrupted Dr. Stewart and on behalf of himself and his brother, E. M. Cole, he subscribed \$6,000.

When the cheering died down subscriptions were offered from all parts of the auditorium. John R. Pepper of Memphis, president of the laymen's movement, gave \$25,000; Dr. Stewart followed with \$10,000, and James Cannon, Jr., of Nashville, gave \$5,000. Other subscriptions, in amounts from \$1,000 to \$5,000, were offered as fast as they could be recorded.

The conference closed with addresses by Dr. S. D. Gordon of New York, Bishop E. D. Louzon of Dallas, Dr. W. W. Pinson, C. D. Bulla and Dr. Clay Lilly of Nashville. The conference will meet at Lake Junaluska in 1917.

## SEEK TO CONTROL MALARIA

Experiments Being Conducted By International Health Board of the Rockefeller Foundation.

New York.—Experiments to determine to what extent malaria may be controlled in temperate climates under conditions now existing in the farming sections of the southern states are being conducted in Mississippi and Arkansas by the international health board of the Rockefeller Foundation.

Extermination of mosquitoes by the drainage system is not part of the plan, it was said.

"The first of these experiments, to test the practicability of malaria control by detecting the carriers and freeing them of parasites, is being carried on in Bollivar, Miss., under the direction of the Mississippi department of health," the announcement said. "The field force and microscopists have been receiving their technical training in the laboratories of Tulane University Medical School."

"To test the practicability of malaria control by a combination of relief measures, another set of experiments is being conducted in Arkansas in co-operation with the United States public health service. In neither case will the experiments include the extermination of mosquitoes by major drainage operations."

"Although the control of malaria is relatively simple in theory, as a practical undertaking it has been found extremely difficult. The present experiments will determine the future development of the board's work in this field."

## One Hundred Shots Over Border.

Naco, Ariz.—Over 100 shots were exchanged across the international line about a mile west of here Aug. 21, between patrols belonging to the negro militia troops from the District of Columbia and a party on the Mexican side.

The militiamen say that they halted some Mexicans who attempted to cross. In the fusillade that followed the only casualty was the wounding of one of the Mexicans who had tried to cross. He is now a prisoner in the camp of the negro troops.

## Two Prominent Men Drowned.

Manassquan, N. J.—As hundreds watched futile efforts to rescue David Strauss, president of the New Jersey state board of pharmacy, and Wm. Lawton, a Philadelphia lawyer, were swept out into the sea by a swift undertow and drowned here. Mrs. Strauss, frantic and powerless, stood on the shore and saw her husband swept to his death while twelve little choir boys who were being entertained by Lawton saw him drown.

## Oldest Member of Stock Exchange.

Long Branch, N. J.—James Seligman, retired member of J. & W. Seligman & Co., New York bankers, died at his summer home here at the age of 92 years. He was the oldest member of the New York stock exchange.

## Fire From Spark.

Montreal.—Five men were killed, six fatally injured and eight seriously hurt in a fire in the Aetna Chemical company's powder factory at Drummondville. The fire resulted from an electric spark.

## Lightning Fires 55,000 Barrel Tank.

Beaumont, Texas.—Lightning fired a 55,000-gallon tank of oil distillate belonging to the Magnolia company here. Probably half of the contents will be saved by pumping. The total loss will be about \$100,000.

## Survivor of Cumberland Dies.

Hagerstown, Md.—Edward Kerschner, surviving physician of the battleship Cumberland, which was sunk by the Merrimac during the Civil War, died here suddenly.

# EAST TENNESSEE HOME COMING

FOR THE REUNION OF EAST TENNESSEANS IN THE OLD HOME COUNTIES.

## BIG MEETING AT DAYTON

In Interest of Dixie Highway Eastern Route—Attorney General McKenzie of Rhea County Makes Welcome Address.

Morristown.—The East Tennessee home-coming movement, for the reunion of East Tennesseans in the old home counties in September, has attracted nation-wide attention and several of the plans originated in this campaign by the general committee appointed by the East Tennessee Association of Commercial Executives will be adopted for similar events in other states and divisions of states next year.

Following the very successful Hamilton county home-coming in Morristown in 1913, the Morristown board of trade received a large number of requests for information and suggestions for conducting similar campaigns in other sections of the United States. The number of inquiries increased so in volume during 1914 that it became necessary to issue a general circular covering the subject and several hundred copies of this were mailed to various organizations throughout the United States.

When the East Tennessee commercial organizations perfected their divisional association last fall, and were considering the question of what work should be undertaken for the immediate future, the representative of the local board of trade proposed a home-coming for all the counties of East Tennessee. The suggestion was very promptly adopted and committees were placed in charge of the various departments of the campaign.

## BIG MEETING AT DAYTON.

Gathering in Interest of Dixie Highway Eastern Route.

Dayton.—The Dixie highway meeting held here last week was probably the largest and most successful good roads gathering ever held in this section of Tennessee with the exception of the meeting held at Chattanooga a year or so ago. The meeting was very largely attended, representatives of Hamilton, Rhea, Bledsoe, Roane and Meigs counties being in attendance and more than one hundred automobiles were in the parade, which preceded the meeting in the city park.

Chattanooga and Hamilton county had about seventy-five machines in the parade, and the Chattanoogaans were met by the machines from the other counties, forty or more in all, about two miles out, and escorted into the city. After making a tour of the city, the automobilists went to the city park, where the meeting was held. The address of welcome was delivered by B. G. McKenzie, attorney-general for Rhea county.

## TRACHOMA HOSPITAL OPENED.

Ceremonies in Charge of Surgeon U. S. Public Health and Secretary of State Board of Health.

Tazewell.—The government trachoma hospital for the free treatment of trachoma (or granulated eye lids), was formally opened Aug. 18. The ceremonies were in charge of Dr. John McMullen, Lexington, Ky., surgeon of the United States public health service, and Dr. R. Q. Lillard, Nashville, secretary of the Tennessee state board of health.

The institution, which is the only one in Tennessee, will be run under direction of the United States public health service and the Tennessee board of health.

The ceremonies incident to the opening of the institution were simple. About 300 people of Tazewell and Claiborne county gathered at the building here and listened to brief addresses by Dr. Lillard and Dr. McMullen.

## Hoo-Hoos Meet Next Month.

Memphis.—Preparations are being made by Junius D. Allen, Jr., vice-regent snark of the West Tennessee district, and a committee of Memphis lumbermen for the twenty-fifth annual meeting of the Concatenated Order of Hoo-Hoos, which will be held in Memphis, Sept. 9 to 12.

Lumbermen from all parts of the country will attend the four days' meeting.

## PARDONS CHATTANOOGAN.

Nashville.—Gov. Rye has pardoned M. Deltch of Chattanooga of the unexpired term of his sentence of a year in jail for contempt of court in violating an injunction under the nuisance act. He was sentenced to serve six months each in two cases. The trial judge and county physician recommended the pardon because Deltch is suffering from lung trouble and other ailments. He must pay all costs in the case, about \$400.

## BURNS' SURETIES SUED.

Sum Near \$33,000 Alleged Taken by Ex-Nashville Official.

Nashville.—Suit was filed in chancery court to recover a sum approximating \$33,000 alleged to have been embezzled by R. Miles Burns while serving as comptroller of the city of Nashville.

Burns is charged with responsibility for the destruction of the city records, his part in which he recently confessed. Surety companies who made official bonds and Burns are made defendants in the suit, which was filed on behalf of the city.

## Jackson County Farmers' Meeting.

Nashville.—Commissioner of Agriculture Bryson returned from Gainesboro, where he attended a large gathering of farmers. Mr. Bryson reports a most successful meeting, in spite of inclement weather and muddy roads, and states that the audience of farmers was one of the most enthusiastic and attentive that he has ever addressed. Commissioner McNair of the United States department of agriculture was one of the principal speakers and delivered an able address on "Farm Management." The state department is making every effort to reach those sections of the railroads which have hitherto been unreachable, and Mr. Bryson is scheduled to attend many more farmers' meetings during the coming month.

## Hardware Men Elect.

Memphis.—Hugh C. Ross of Jackson was re-elected president of the Tennessee Retail Hardware Dealers' Association, which held its final session here last week.

The other officers chosen are: O. K. Jones, Sweetwater, vice-president; Walter Harlan, Atlanta, Ga., secretary and treasurer.

The new board of directors is composed of C. C. Parish, Nashville; W. V. Edenton, Jackson; W. V. Hager, Hartsville, and J. D. Elkins, McMinnville.

George Everett of Sparta and O. K. Jones of Sweetwater were the choices of the members of the association to represent them at the national convention of hardware dealers.

## Troops Won't Move.

Washington.—War department officials say that Gen. Funston's request for national guardsmen from Tennessee, Virginia and Mississippi received by the Tennessee adjutant-general, does not mean that these units will proceed to the border in the near future.

The request was forwarded to Gen. Wood, commanding the department of the east, before the order was issued suspending all troop movements to the border because of the threatened railroad strike. Officials say Gen. Wood has no authority, even if he chose, to send additional troops south now or until the department's suspension order is withdrawn.

## To Mobilize Cavalry.

Athens.—Capt. Ellsworth Wilson of Troop C, the new cavalry troop at Athens mustered into service recently, has received orders from Adj. Gen. Rogan announcing the receipt from the eastern department for the mobilization of the troop. Capt. Wilson was notified to have his men ready to move within thirty-six hours' notice. When they are ordered to Nashville full equipment will be ready to be issued to the men, as requisitions have been made out and sent in for the supplies.

## Storm in Knoxville.

Knoxville.—Knoxville had the severest electrical storm in years Aug. 17, and the lightning played pranks with tall chimneys and several buildings. In the vicinity of Proctor, a suburb, four inches of rain fell within an hour, and two manufacturing plants were forced to shut down owing to their floors being flooded. Six street cars were burned out and 300 telephones put out of commission.

## McAlister in Chattanooga.

Chattanooga.—J. D. McAlister, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon league, was here last week to investigate the alleged violations of the prohibition laws and the claim of indifference or neglect of officers to enforce the laws. He talked with people who were not averse to saying that unless assurances of continued efforts to enforce the laws were forthcoming that ouster proceedings would follow.

## Cotton is Shedding.

Paris.—The farmers of some sections of Henry county are distressed over the fact that much of the bolls on the cotton plants are falling off as though the plant has some disease. Just what is the trouble is not known. The plants in other sections are healthy and thrifty and what is the cause of the trouble in some sections has not yet been determined.

## Route From Waverly To McEwen.

Waverly.—At their regular monthly meeting here the Humphreys county highway commission decided to build the link of the Memphis-to-Bristol highway between Waverly and McEwen, about twelve miles, up Trace creek north of the N. C. & St. L. to the east side of Jas. Burns' place, thence south of the road to McEwen, via Gorman. Taking everything into consideration this is the best route that could be selected, and will insure a splendid road between